

US Environmental Protection Agency

Community Programs and Services

EPA Community Work

EPA's primary mission is to: Protect Human Health, Welfare and the Environment.

This Region's industrial history and legacies make it a "target rich" environment.

- EPA has 4 types of programs working to achieve the mission:
 - 1) Regulatory, permit-based—RCRA, CAA, CWA
 - 2) Enforcement/compliance assistance—TSCA, RCRA, CAA, CWA
 - 3) Response programs to deal with spills, emergencies and legacy contamination—Superfund, GLLA
 - 4) Voluntary and grant programs to address non-threatening environmental conditions, and provide direct financial and/or technical assistance for infrastructure and local decision making--SRF Grants, the newly announced WIFA grants, Brownfields, EJ Grants, Smart Growth, Children's Health...
- The first 3 constitute our "core programs." The latter includes many of our community programs.

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EPA's Smart Growth Technical Assistance Programs

Overview

EPA's Smart Growth Program collaborates with other EPA programs; federal agencies; regional, state, and local governments; and a broad array of nongovernmental partners to help communities become stronger, healthier, and more sustainable through smart growth, green building, green infrastructure, and related strategies.

We offer technical assistance programs to help communities learn about and implement development strategies that protect human health and the environment, create economic opportunities, and provide attractive and affordable neighborhoods. Our programs include:

- Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities
- Cool & Connected
- Local Foods, Local Places
- Healthy Places for Healthy People

Environmental Justice

Factsheet on Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

About the Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

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• [Factsheet on Environmental Justice Small Grants Program](#)

The image shows two screenshots. The top screenshot is a presentation slide titled "EPA Brownfields Assessment Grants: Interested in Applying for Funding?". It includes a link to a PDF document and a "Contact Us" link. The bottom screenshot is a browser window displaying the EPA website's "Brownfields" section, specifically the "EPA Brownfields Assessment Grants: Interested in Applying for Funding?" page.

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• [EPA Brownfields Assessment Grants: Interested in Applying for Funding? Here's what you need to know to get started... \(August 2009\) \(PDF\)](#) (2 pp, 295 K)

[Contact Us](#) to ask a question, provide feedback, or report a problem.

Q. Ok— so how much direct assistance are we talking about?

A. If we add up all the likely and probable Community Program dollars from Brownfields and EJ and Smart Growth, etc—it probably comes to about 20-25M per year on average...with BF being something like 90% of that amount.

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And what is the reality?

Last year we were able to fund about 18% of our Brownfield proposals—and we have “received” a 35% budget cut over the last 5 yrs.

To be effective, we need to be more strategic, we need to work in partnership with many entities.

EPA’s Community work is therefore grounded in concepts of Sustainability and Environmental Justice—and the realization that all our actions and decisions have Environmental, Economic and Social factors that must be accounted for...even if they have not been in the past.

It is collaborative. No single entity has the capacity nor all answers.

Projects are designed to establish local leadership and momentum—after EPA’s project phase ends.

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There are typically 4 Phases or areas of our Community work:

- 1) Assessment of Community needs-often with interviews
- 2)
 - a. Identification of short, intermediate and long-term goals
 - b. Identification of pilot projects to attain those goals
- 3) Securing/identifying necessary funding
- 4) Building/enhancing local capacity.

How are communities selected?

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- Basic Community selection Criteria:
 - Is the community disproportionately impacted?
 - Does the community have existing Fed/EPA investments to leverage?
 - Is there an established relationship? Is there a local champion?
 - Is the state a willing and capable partner, or are there other entities that can help provide capacity – such as a foundation or 501c3...

EPA Region 5 Community Projects

	Administrator Community Criteria						Existing Federal Initiatives														
	Environmental Justice	Climate Adaptation and Mitigation	Green Infrastructure	Equitable Development	Environmental Quality	Responsible Growth	Local and Federal Partner Resources	EPA RPL Prior	EPA TA Showcase	WHS Strong Cities, Strong Communities	EPA Climate Showcase	HUD DOT EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities	DOC Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership	Enforcement Actions	Integrating Sustainability	Federal Partner Investments	State Involvement	Local Support	Community Groups	Foundation Involvement	
Chicago, IL Pilsen/SE Chicago	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	H Kramer, CSO W GI Air Target (FY14/15), Lowenthal, Cluster	GI, Food Waste	HUD, DOT, FEMA, EDA	IEPA - Brownfields	City of Chicago,	Southeast Environmental Task Force, PEDBO, LVEDO	Chi-Cal Rivers Fund	
Cincinnati, OH Mill Creek	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	CSO W GI Air Target (FY15), Sam Adams	GI, Demo/Decon,	HUD, DOT, FEMA, EDA	OEPA - Water	City of Cincinnati, Port Authority	Groundworks-Mill Creek	Greater Cincinnati Foundation	
Detroit, MI Citywide	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			✓	✓	NPDES W GI, Steel Mills/SEP, Marathon	GI, Demo/Decon, Dredge Reuse,	HUD, DOT, FEMA, EDA, ACE	MOEQ - Water, Air, Brownfields, Materials	Mayor's Office Detroit Building Authority Land Bank	OWB, Detroit Future City, SW Detroit Environmental Vision, Greening of Detroit, Lower Eastside Action Plan	Erb Foundation, Kresge Foundation	
Duluth, MN St. Louis River	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓		SSO (Almost done)	GI, Dredge Reuse, Food Waste	HUD, DOT, FEMA, ACE	MPCA, MDNR - Superfund, Brownfields	Mayor's Office	St Louis River Alliance, St Louis River Technical Advisory Committee	Bush Foundation	
Gary, IN Citywide	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	CSO (FY15), US Steel, Carmeuse Buffington	GI, Demo/Decon	HUD, DOT, FEMA, EDA	IDEM, IFA - Brownfields	Mayor's Office	Urban League of Hull Brownfields Area CDC Peach Bank of NWI	Legacy Foundation	
Milwaukee, WI 30th St Industrial	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	NPDES W GI, CSO, Maynard Steel Foundry	GI, Demo/Decon	HUD, DOT, FEMA, EDA	WDNR - Water, Brownfields	Mayor's Office	30th St Industrial Corridor Coalition		

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EPAs most recent Community initiative is Making a Visible Difference (MVD)

Cincinnati, Chicago, Detroit, Duluth, Gary and Milwaukee were selected based upon the previous criteria. We also participated in ongoing SC2 efforts in Flint and Rockford.

For MVD, EPA established a Community Resources Network (**CRN**) which provided around **\$25M** in direct funding and technical assistance. Regional programs offered up resources as well.

Region 5 received **\$3M** in new funding, which combined with existing funds of **\$3M** and significant amounts of staff time has lead to **\$18M in additional** funding and project support to those communities.

If we add Rockford and Flint into the mix, our existing investment go up another **\$4M** and the leveraged **Total approaches \$50M.**

The CRN is open for new communities and requests.

Region 5 ARD Resources
Enabling Community Capacity Building

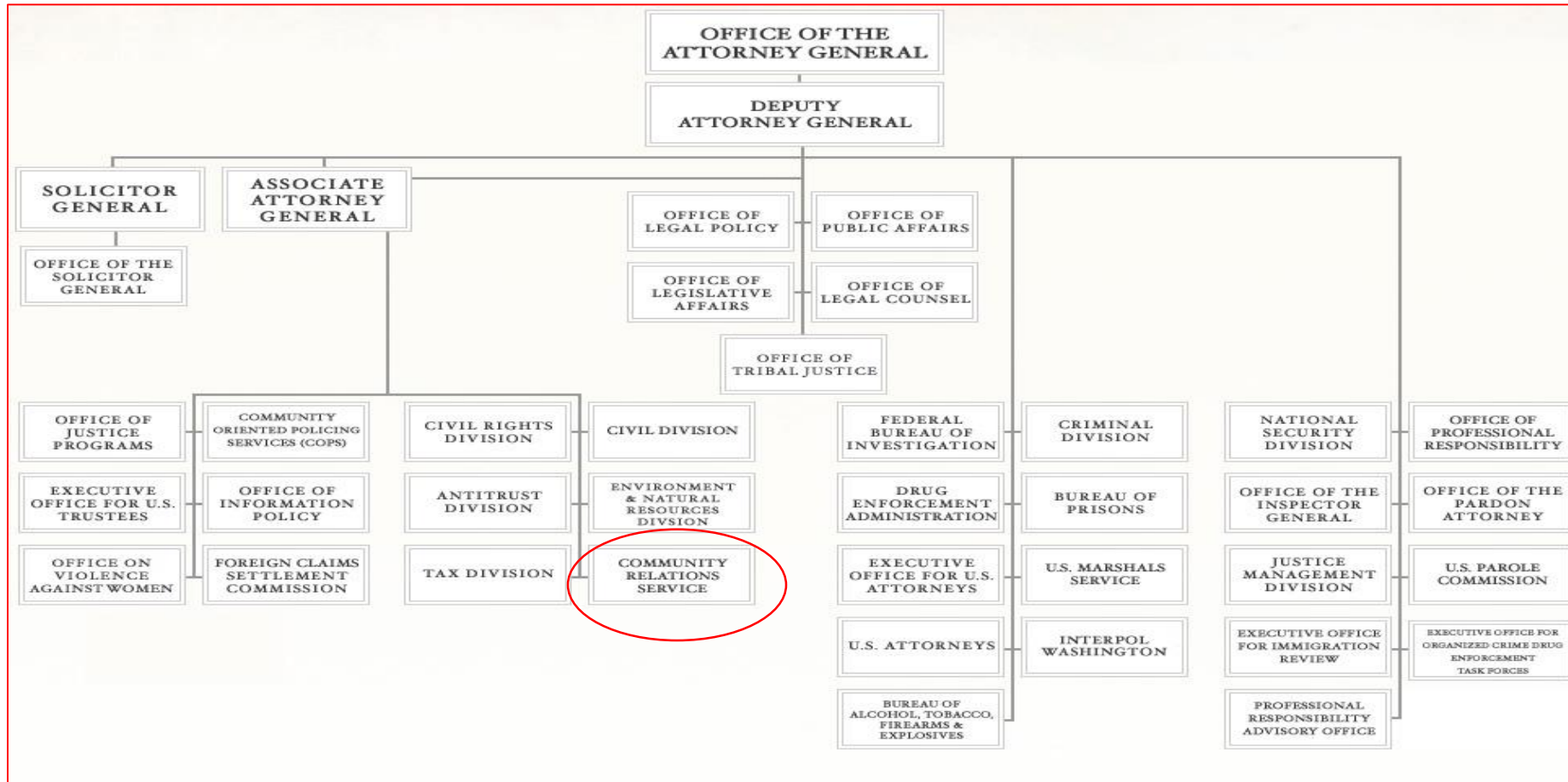
Air Toxics and Assessment Branch (ATAB):	
Air Monitoring and Data Analysis (AMAS)	
	promote citizen science
	deploy Next Gen instruments around neighborhoods and facilities of concern
	educate communities on air data trends and how regulations inform the existing Federal Reference Methods (FRM) monitoring network
Indoor and Voluntary Programs (IVPS):	
	provide outreach on indoor air quality (mold, environmental tobacco smoke, indoor asthma triggers, radon, VOCs) to community groups, schools, child care facilities, and or health care workers
	provide outreach to communities focused on radon, environmental education, grants resources
	provide training on Healthy Homes - Indoor Air Plus and Retrofit Protocols for Home Energy Upgrades
	provide Tools for Schools program and technical assistance
	provide ENERGY STAR outreach, including energy benchmarking and ENERGY STAR certified products

US Department of Justice

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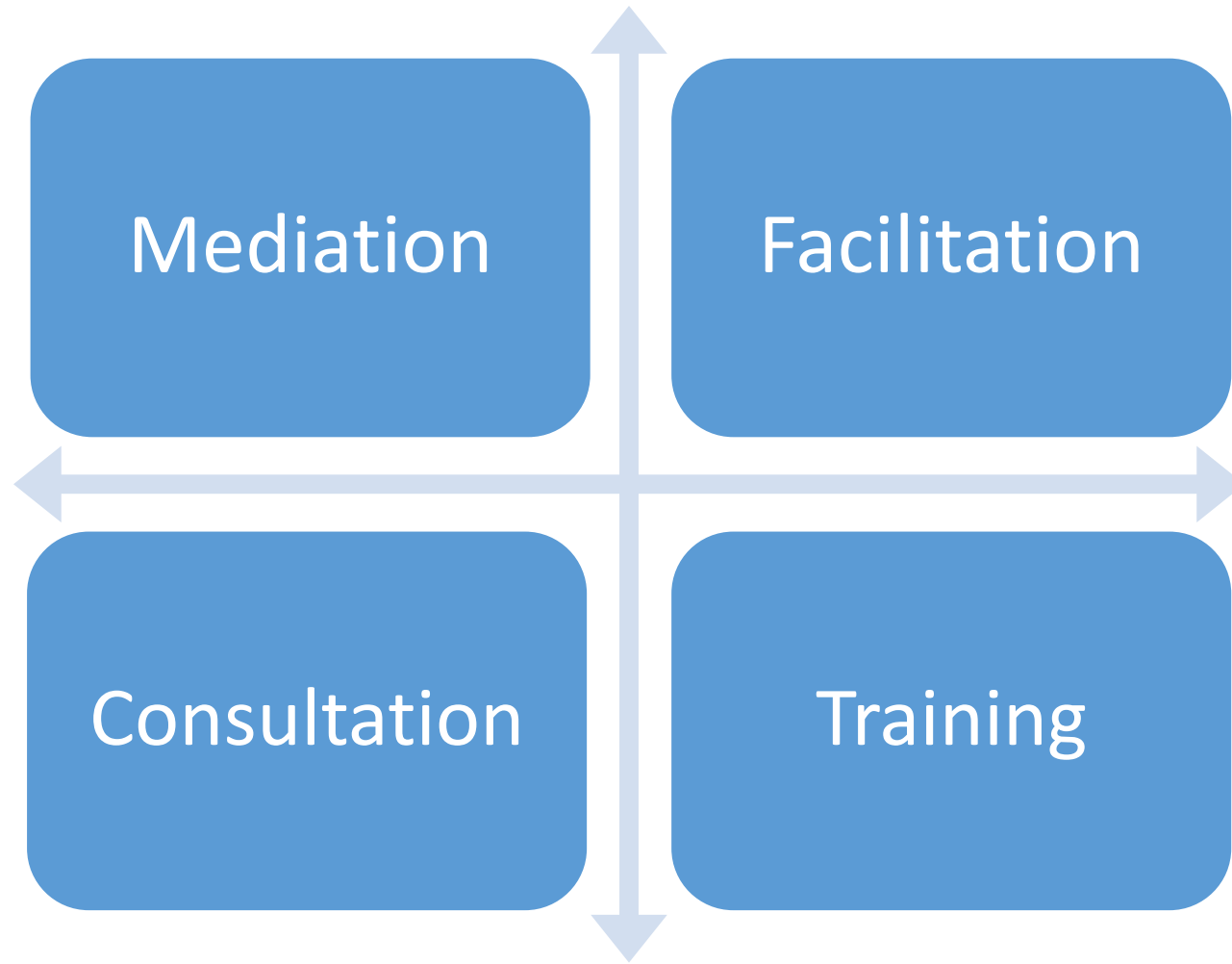


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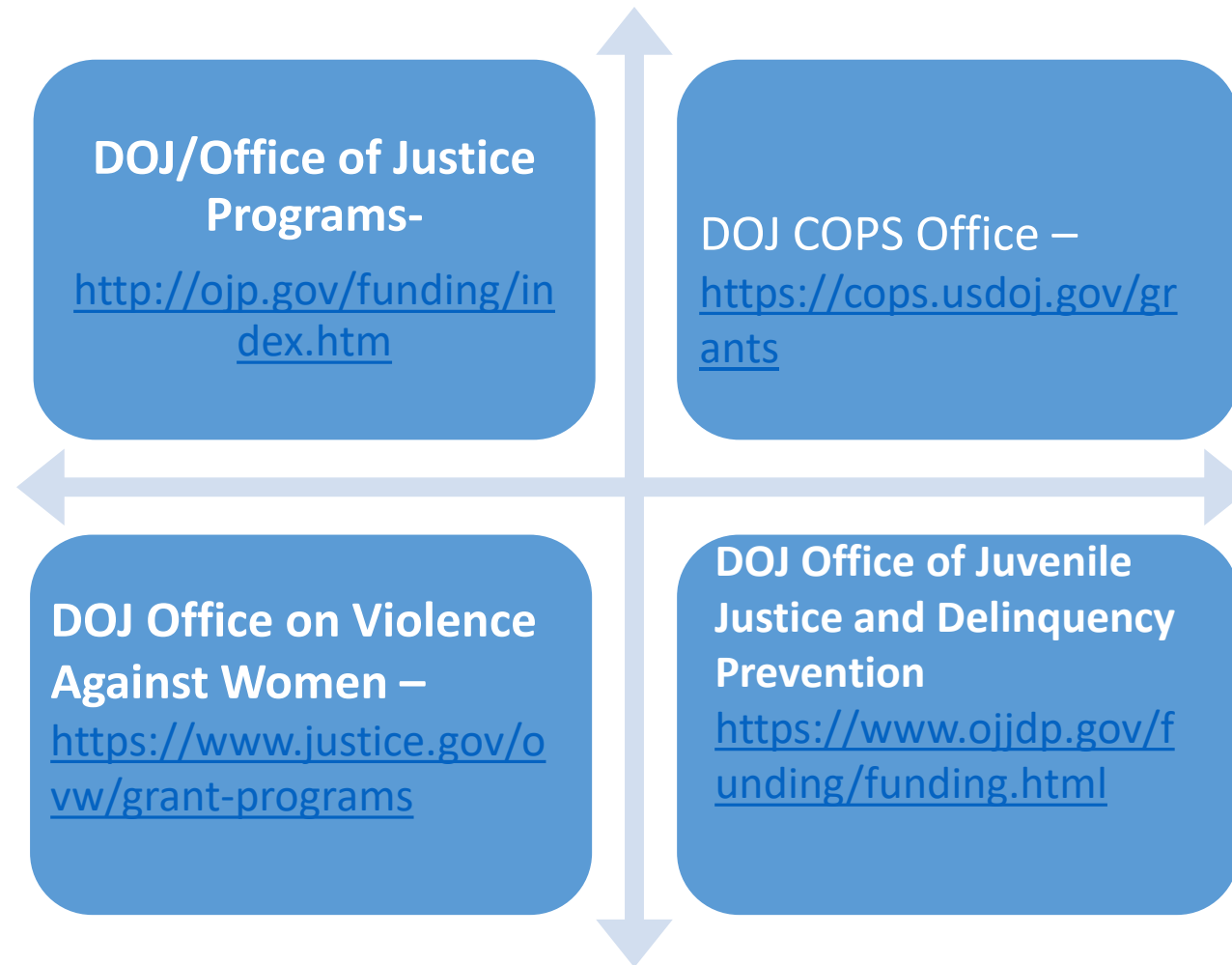
- Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title X
- Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2009



CRS Services (Free and Confidential)



DOJ Grants and Services



US Department of Labor

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Department of Labor (DOL-ETA)

ETA- Employment & Training Administration

- The mission of ETA is to contribute to the more efficient functioning of the U.S. labor market by providing high quality job training, employment, labor market information, and income maintenance services primarily through state and local workforce development systems.

Economic Development

- Economic Growth
- Reduce poverty, increase family incomes

Workforce Development

- Sister of Economic Development
- Labor
 - More jobs, lower unemployment
 - Better jobs, higher wages

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Skills

- Education
 - GED, High School Equivalency, H.S. Diploma
 - Literacy & Numeracy Gains
- Training
 - Basic skills – Soft Skills
 - Certificates, Credentials, Associates Degrees
 - Short-term to 2-year training programs

Return On Investment (ROI) example:

- 1st Year
 - \$3,000 in one year to train participant
 - \$20,000 yr job ~15% tax bracket = \$3,000 tax return to govt.
- 2nd Year = get growth economically, GNP, productive citizen

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Formula Funds:

- Appropriated thru States and Territories via Workforce System
 - Formally was the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998
 - (WIOA) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (effective July 1, 2015)
 - Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)
 - Example: Factory closes down, get Rapid Response Assistance

Competitive Discretionary Demonstration Funds:

- Eligible Agencies
 - Education Institutions: ex: Community & Technical Colleges
 - Non-profits
 - Workforce Development
 - Education
 - Training
 - Reentry
 - (AJC)s – American Job Center(s)
 - And others

Types of DOL -ETA Discretionary Grants

Target Populations: Adult

Youth

Dislocated Workers

1. H-1B

- H1B visas paid by employers
- Flexible program directed funding

2. YouthBuild

- Out of school youth ages 16-24

3. Re-entry

- Adult, Youth, Intermediary organizations